

## 2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Trade Advisory Committee on Africa

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### 1. Department or Agency

Office of the United States Trade Representative

### 2. Fiscal Year

2018

### 3. Committee or Subcommittee

Trade Advisory Committee on Africa

### 3b. GSA Committee No.

2002

### 4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

### 5. Current Charter

03/15/2018

### 6. Expected Renewal Date

03/15/2022

### 7. Expected Term Date

### 8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

### 8b. Specific Termination Authority

### 8c. Actual Term Date

### 9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

### 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

### 10b. Legislation Pending?

Enacted

### 11. Establishment Authority Agency Authority

### 12. Specific Establishment Authority

19 USC 2155

### 13. Effective Date

09/24/1994

### 14. Committee Type

Continuing

### 14c. Presidential?

No

### 15. Description of Committee National Policy Issue Advisory Board

### 16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

### 17a. Open 0 17b. Closed 22 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 22 Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA Renegotiations.	10/06/2017	10/06/2017
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	10/14/2017	10/15/2017
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	10/20/2017	10/20/2017
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	11/19/2017	11/20/2017
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	11/30/2017	11/30/2017
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	01/25/2018	01/25/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	01/26/2018	01/26/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations and China Scrap Trade Restrictions.	02/01/2018	02/01/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	03/02/2018	03/02/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	03/03/2018	03/03/2018

The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	03/08/2018 - 03/08/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on Section 301.	03/23/2018 - 03/23/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: updates on the US-UK Trade and Investment Working Group.	03/27/2018 - 03/27/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: Advisor Security, KORUS, and NAFTA.	04/19/2018 - 04/19/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: NAFTA, TPF India Intercessional, WTO Digital Trade Initiative, GSP, and OGC Enforcement.	05/17/2018 - 05/17/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: NAFTA, OECD Ministerial, U.S.-U.K Trade Investment Working Group, China, OGC Update.	06/14/2018 - 06/14/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: an Update on the AGOA Forum, and FTA Engagement.	06/21/2018 - 06/21/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: NAFTA, U.S.-U.K Trade Investment Working Group, and India update.	07/19/2018 - 07/19/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed and provide advice on the following issues, including: NAFTA, U.S.-U.K Trade Investment Working Group, European Union, Japan, and KORUS.	08/23/2018 - 08/23/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	08/27/2018 - 08/27/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed on the following issues, including: updates on the state of NAFTA renegotiations.	08/31/2018 - 08/31/2018
The Committee members met to be briefed on the following issues, including: FDA Certificate of Free Sale Program, Phillipines Update, GSP Update, US-UK Update, European Union Update, China Update, Notorious Markets Update - Special 301 Report	09/20/2018 - 09/20/2018

#### **Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 22**

	<b>Current FY</b>	<b>Next FY</b>
<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$31,300.00	\$37,560.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$31,300.00	\$37,560.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.20	0.20

#### **20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The TACA was established pursuant to the Uruguay Round and implementing legislation in Section 134. The TACA's purpose is to advise, provide information to USTR, and submit a report to Congress developing a comprehensive trade and development policy for Africa.

#### **20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

The TACA has not more than 30 members, including representatives from a broad

spectrum of economic interests including industry, services, academia, investment, labor and environmental sectors.

## **20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

The committee will meet as needed at the call of the U.S. Trade Representative or his/her designee, depending on various factors such as the level of activity of trade negotiations and the needs of the members of the TACA.

## **20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

The TACA is the only private sector group that is dedicated to providing trade sensitive advice on trade policy for Sub-Saharan Africa.

## **20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

In order to receive the most informed advice possible, the advisory committee members are regularly briefed on U.S. strategies and bargaining-positions (information which is highly sensitive and often classified).

## **21. Remarks**

N/A

## **Designated Federal Officer**

Molly Foley CMO / DFO

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Member Designation</b>
Beckmann, David	03/27/2015	02/26/2018	President, Bread for the World	Representative Member
Edlow, Jack	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	President, Edlow International Company	Representative Member
Freeman, Sharon	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	President, Gems of Wisdom Consulting	Representative Member
Green, Phillip	03/27/2015	02/26/2018	Green Powered Technology, Founder and President	Representative Member
Humphries, Fred	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	Vice President of Governmental Affairs, Microsoft	Representative Member
Kerr, Stuart	03/28/2018	03/15/2022	Africa Practice Coordinator	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Krilla, Jeffrey	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	Senior Advisor, Dentons	Representative Member
Kuhlmann, Katrin	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	President and Founder, New Markets Lab	Representative Member
Lamar, Stephen	03/29/2018	03/15/2022	Executive Vice President	Representative Member
Lambert, Benjamin	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	International Advocacy Manager, Caterpillar	Representative Member
Levinson, Mark	03/27/2015	02/26/2018	Chief Economist for Workers United, Service Employees Int'l Union	Representative Member
McCoy, Tim	03/27/2015	02/26/2018	Senior Advisor for Outreach	Representative Member
McLean, Matthew	03/27/2015	02/26/2018	Founder and President, Endsight Consulting, Co.	Representative Member
Nwabuonwu, Ike	03/29/2018	03/15/2022	Chairman and CEO	Representative Member
Ofori-Boateng, Akua	03/29/2018	03/15/2022	Country Manager	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Ogunwale, Abiodun	03/29/2018	03/15/2022	Director of Business Development	Representative Member

Pence, Elliot	03/28/2018	03/15/2022	Senior Director Africa Practice	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Penn, J.B.	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	Senior Advisor - Office of the Chairman	Representative Member
Renigar, Del	03/27/2015	02/26/2018	International Policy and Trade Advisor, General Electric	Representative Member
Sanders, Robin	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	President FE3DS LLC	Representative Member
Sharpless, Mattie	03/27/2015	02/26/2018	Ambassador Retired	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Shore, Marysue	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	President, Global Business Strategies	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Simon, John	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	Total Impact Advisors	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Sprauve, Wayne	03/29/2018	03/15/2022	Chairman and CEO	Representative Member
Stith, Charles	03/27/2015	02/26/2018	Dir., African Presidential Archives & Research Center	Representative Member
Sullivan, Paul	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	Director of International Business Development, Acrow Bridge	Representative Member
Tchala, Olowo-n'djo	03/29/2018	03/15/2022	CEO	Representative Member
Tyre, Kendall	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	Partner, Nixon Peabody	Representative Member
White, Craig	03/27/2015	03/15/2022	Attorney, Hahn Loeser Law Firm	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Wiegert, Joel	03/28/2018	03/15/2022	Principal	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 30**

### Narrative Description

The committee provides the U.S. Trade Representative with policy advice on issues involving trade and development in sub-Saharan Africa.

### What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Outcome Comments

N/A

### What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Cost Savings Comments**

N/A

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

13

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

The committee met and offered both oral and written advice thirteen times.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

54%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

The recommendations are with regard to trade policy decisions. The issues are broad and consensus even within the committee is not guaranteed.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

92%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

The recommendations are with regard to trade policy decisions. The issues are broad and consensus even within the committee is not guaranteed.

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

### Agency Feedback Comments

We provide oral and written feedback.

### What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Action Comments

NA

### Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

### Grant Review Comments

NA

### How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Access Comments

N/A